IASPM EC Minutes (Meeting XIV) 18/06/2019

18:00h-19:30h (CET)

Executive Committee Meeting, June 18, 2019 (6pm CET), held by video conference (Skype)

Present: Ann Werner (AW), Ante-Ville Kärjä (AVK), Kimi Kärki (KK), Jacopo Conti (JC), Franco Fabbri (FF) and Marta García Quiñones (MG), Sílvia Martínez (SM)

1- Last minute issues: Canberra Conference

SM informs that she sent an agenda and an almost finished version of the Final Report that included the emailed comments from the board. Then, she asks if there is any further issue. AW asks the EC how she will participate in the meeting, Skype or video? It is decided that she will use Skype because it allows interaction.

SM asks if members of the new EC should be present online. MG proposes to ask the new EC who are not going to be present in the Conference if they can make a video recording. SM and MG are going to get in touch with Beatriz Goubert and Simone Krüger Bridge.

2- Checking membership of conference attendants

JC asks if there is a list of the attendants. MG answers that the EC has the program, but not a final list. MG says that checking the program and the data base of membership, there are 59 more people than the previous list. MG has contacted them telling the non-members of the IASPM that they have to pay to become a member. She also says that there are Australian people who are not in the first list that the local committee shared.

AW proposes to check the attendants in the registration tables. MG introduces the problem of how to manage this with the local organising committee during registration. FF proposes to write to Samantha with this problem. MG proposes to look at the amount of people who have yet to pay once the conference has begun in Canberra and manage it from there. We decide to leave Marta in charge of this, and to let Samantha know about the issue.

FF remarks that attending the conference is reserved to members, and it should be a way to check if attendants are IASPM members and have paid their fees (if not, they must pay).

3- Chair's Meeting

SM opens the discussion from a document shared by FF and MG. KK emphasises that Chair meetings had been open for all members in previous conferences, and that meetings like that can be useful for a better practice. He encourages this type of actions. FF says he is not against it, but he is against the fact that it is organised by the EC. MG says that the point is that the governing body is the General Meeting. It must be clear that it is an un-official meeting. FF argues that these types of meetings are fine for exchanging information, but it must be clear that no decision can be taken there. The meeting should be open and publicised by the organisation of the meeting.

The decision is that the EC is also going to take part in the meeting, but the EC is not organising the Chair meeting. SM will write a polite answer with the items: it is not an official meeting; it is not organised by the EC; the EC can help if it is a meeting for exchanging information and consultancies; Christopher Jacke or other Chair could be in charge and organise the meeting. It would be a good idea to schedule it before the General Meeting, so any issue raised in the informal meeting can be addressed there.

4- Last minute issues: General Meeting

FF point out a comment about the presentations of the proposals for Oslo and Daegu. If the amendment to the Statutes that we are proposing is approved (in order to include a member of the local organising committee into the next EC), then we have to ask the people from Norway and South Korea to propose a name that can be voted by the General Meeting, because it has to be voted. It is agreed to write (FF) to Oslo and Daegu to let the EC know the proposed names.

MG asks to discuss the IPM Agreement draft. She points that Sara Cohen says she cannot sign the document. AW doesn't understand the point if the agreement is not going to be a legal document. MG and AW decide to continue discussing the issue with Sara Cohen.

Regarding the IASPM Book Prize event, SM says that we have now a wonderful video with almost all participants introducing their books. She asks if there is enough time for a 20 minutes presentation video. MG says it is scheduled for 30 minutes in the program for the whole event. SM will manage the event considering the time scheduled.

With no further requests or comments, we will meet in Canberra soon.